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Knesset calls on world to protest Russian tax

JERUSALEM (JTA-JCNS) –
In an impassioned speech to an emergency session of the Knesset, Prime Minister Golda Meir urged freedom lovers of the world to join Israel in a "sacred battle" against the poll tax being levied on educated Jews who want to leave the Soviet Union.

Only the new Communist party, Rakach, stayed away from the extraordinary session convened during the Knesset's normal recess. With these exceptions, four in number, a resolution calling on the Soviet Government to repeal the new charges imposed on Jewish academicians wishing to emigrate, was adopted unanimously.

Mrs. Meir said the Russians are charging from 4,000 rubles ($5,000) to 20,000 rubles ($25,000) for university - educated Jews, depending on the level of their education.

Two top Soviet officials have told five Jewish families in Moscow that the exit fees for educated Jews seeking to emigrate represent those Jews' "debt" to the USSR for schooling received, according to Dr. David Korn, chairman of the Soviet Jewry Committee of Greater Washington.

After the vote, Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu said the resolution would be transmitted to speakers of all parliaments of the world, including those in the Communist bloc.

Mrs. Meir, calling upon "all freedom lovers and haters of slavery" to raise their voices in protest, said there were reports that the Soviet tax may be applied to high school and trade school graduates.

"Let our people immigrate without ransom, without bias, without a price on them, without any discrimination whatsoever," Mrs. Meir told an attentive Knesset.

The prime minister went on: "We are going to seek all possible support to rescind the decree. We are fighting a sacred battle because it is a just battle for our people." Mrs. Meir said that about 30% of the Soviet Jews reaching Israel would be subject to the diploma tax. "The tax is only part of the anti-Jewish policy of the Soviets aimed at deterring immigration, putting obstacles in the path of advanced education and repressing the Jewish renaissance," she said.

"Some countries still have a slave trade, where strength fetches the highest price. In Russia the best price is commanded by intellectual attainment." Following Mrs. Meirs speech, the Knesset unanimously resolved to call on governments, parliaments, religious leaders, scientists and intellectuals all over the world to lobby against what it described as "this insult to humanity."

It also unanimously adopted a resolution calling on the Soviet Union to abolish the tax. The resolution said the tax was "reminiscent of

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Bed shortage cited in Montreal home

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

Anita Cabelli

MONTREAL –
The lack of nursing home bed space for the elderly has reached critical proportions, says the head administrator of the Montreal Jewish community's only nursing home.

According to a 1970 Allied Jewish Community Services health survey, 20 nursing home beds should exist per 1,000 population, and in the Jewish community with 125,000 members, over 2,500 beds should be available.

"Yet there are less than 150 beds presently in operation for the community," reports Anita Cabelli, head administrator for the 44-bed Jewish Nursing Home.

"This represents a pretty stark need," she added, "and if 500 beds were available tomorrow, they would be filled the next day – and there would still be a shortage."

The 2,500 bed requirement figure does not take into consideration the bed space needed for persons under 65 years of age, beds in chronic hospitals, convalescent hospitals, or in residences.

"To date we have discharged two patients," said the administrator, "and we only admitted two."

The Jewish Nursing Home was formerly the nurse's residences of the Jewish Hospital of Hope, which is located in short walking distance from the home.

In 1968, the Quebec Government agreed to finance the remodelling of the 30-year-old structure, and, in 1970, it became the Montreal Jewish community's first nursing establishment.

The Nursing Home continues to receive its financing from the provincial department of health and welfare.

In addition to the 44 beds at the home, there are 37 beds at Maimonides Hospital and Home for the Aged, and 50 beds largely subsidized by Allied Jewish Community Services in private nursing homes where $140,000 has so far been spent in 1972.

A program called the Jewish Nursing Home Placement Bureau which administers the 50 beds, aids in the placing of emergency nursing home patients from families who cannot afford the cost of private care.

Fees in private institutions range from $300 to $600 per month, and in public agencies the "free" cost is about $520 per month.

Private nursing homes do not have the comprehensive facilities of public-funded agencies, and often lack recreational and occupational therapy programs.

Any privately operated homes have few medical or nursing personnel, often leading to an improper application of medicine, lack of regular medical supervision, delays in feeding and toilet care, and a great lack of social activities.

The Bureau assigns a social worker and medical supervisor to visit the 50 patients on a regular basis.

"The kind of patient at a nursing home," explained Mrs. Cabelli, the former director of nursing at Maimonides Hospital "is an aged person who has physical, social, or psychological dependencies. He is not a chronic patient, especially at our home where, according to safety regulations, the patient must be able to walk.

The hospital administrator outlined a short-term approach to solve the problem of a bed shortage by providing day-care centres for nursing home patients who must live at home.

"They could be brought to a day-care centre where they would have a variety of activities and adequate medical attention. This, in turn, would have a most helpful effect on the older person's family.

She added that a program similar in operation exists at the Maimonides Hospital and Home for the Aged.

Plan to build plant in Hebron is opposed by left wing parties

TEL AVIV (JCNS) –
Controversy surrounds the plans of Eliahu Sacharov to build Israel's first major industrial plant in Hebron, but he does not expect the government to oppose the establishment of a $3.65 million factory there for the production of formica.

The Left-wing parties, particularly Mapam, are strongly against Jewish settlements or other forms of Jewish enterprise in the occupied territories and they have staged demonstrations against new settlements in the Rafah area south of Gaza.

Mrs. Golda Meir, the prime minister, has expressed her approval in writing, Sacharov says, and he claims to have received the approval of Yigal Allon, the deputy prime minister; Moshe Dayan, the defence minister; Haim Barlev, the minister of commerce and industry, and Israel Galili, the minister without portfolio responsible for the information services.

But Pinhas Sapir, the finance minister, who recently expressed preference in a television interview for "peace without Hebron" rather than "no peace with Hebron", is visiting South America and was not available for comment.

The ministry of commerce and industry has stated that the plan is being studied for its economic prospects. It is also under study by the Industrial Development Bank, which would provide a loan on a preference basis because Hebron is a development area.

Sacharov and foreign investors would initially invest about $1.25 million in the scheme which would be insured by the government against the political risk of Hebron's return to Arab rule. However, this would not amount to full compensation.

"One does not invest money only," Sacharov has said, implying that his motives are not purely commercial. Sacharov and his brothers founded the Sahar Insurance Company. He also heads a furniture factory which uses large quantities of formica.

It is planned to employ 150 people in the Hebron factory at first, mainly religious Jews in the Kiryat Arab area, and later open a complex of associated industries.

Meanwhile, Zeev Sharef, the housing minister, has announced that another 100 homes will be built soon for Jewish settlers in Hebron, with 100 more provided later.

After 26 years, a joyous reunion

Tibor Berk, who came to Canada in 1948, saw a dream come true when he was reunited with his father, stepmother and stepsisters after a separation of 26 years. The Jewish Immigrant Aid Society is credited with finally obtaining the approval of the Soviet government for the family's departure from the Carpathian region. At the table are Moisha Berkovich, 72, and his wife Brano, 54. Back, from left, are Mrs. Tibor Berk, Dvora Berkovich, Tibor Berk and Maryem Berkovich. (WILLER)

Moroccan king reassures Jews about their rights

PARIS (JTA) –
Moroccan King Hassan II promised his country's 30,000 Jews this week that he would "continue to defend them" and said that they would continue to enjoy the same rights as the rest of the population, according to reports here.

The King, who addressed a press conference at his summer palace in Rabat, said: "I want to use this opportunity to tell my Jewish subjects that they have nothing to fear and that nothing will be changed in their situation."

Referring to Gen. Mohamed Ouikir, the Moroccan defence minister and army chief of staff whose death last week after an aborted coup attempt has been called suicide, King Hassan said Morocco's Jews "do not need Oufkir to defend them." He explained that

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Extremists, Arab groups reported linked in Italy

ROME (JCNS) –
There is a firm tie-up between Arab terrorist groups and Italian Right-wing extremist groups, it is strongly believed here. This follows the capture of two Arabs in Rome accused of the abortive sabotage attempt on an El Al airliner last week.

Socialist Senator Piero Caleffi, who is president of the Italy-Israel Association, told the Liberal magazine Le Mondo this week: "There are no doubts about links in Italy between Arab groups and fascist organizations. Since 1969, the Israeli authorities have been underlining the need to end this situation."

The magazine also pointed out that "the complicity between Arabs (meaning terrorist elements) and fascists was confirmed last June when police and security services discovered evidence of an arms traffic in Rome in which former Nazis and other persons were linked with several Middle East embassies."

On the other hand, the Italian Right accuses Libya's President Gaddafi and extreme Left-wing groups of helping Arab terrorists. Investigators in collaboration with the intelligence services of several countries, including Israel, have intensified their inquiries into whether the two captured men were linked with an Arab terrorist network, believed to be effectively operating from an Italian headquarters with the help of European extremist organizations, including the Ustasha group in Yugoslavia.

They are seeking to establish whether there are common roots for the planned destruction of the El Al airliner two weeks ago, the Lod airport massacre May 30, and the explosions earlier this month on an Israeli cargo ship off the Greek coast and at a number of oil storage tanks in Trieste.

Archbishop leads Arab-Jew march over ban on return to village

JERUSALEM (JCNS) –
Led by Archbishop Raya of the Greek Catholic Church, nearly 3,000 people staged a protest march from the Jaffa Gate of the Old City to the Prime Minister's office last week.

They were demonstrating against the Israeli Government's refusal to allow the Christian Arab villagers of Baram and Ikrit in Galilee to return to the lands from which they were evicted on security grounds in 1948.

Earlier, Archbishop Raya had planned to carry a ceremonial cross along the Via Dolorosa route followed by Jesus but abandoned this idea after it was pointed out that it would embarrass Jewish sympathizers. On Monday, Israel's High Court threw out an application by a Jerusalem Jew to have the Via Dolorosa march forbidden on the grounds that it threatened the life of his family and the citizens of Jerusalem and the State of Israel.

Archbishop Raya

About two-thirds of the demonstrators were Arabs, who had come in 11 buses from Galilee, and one-third Jews. Most of the Jews were supporters of the Mapam and other left-wing parties. Among the marchers was Uri Avneri, editor of the magazine **Haolam Hazeh** and a member of the Knesset. The Arab villagers paraded "our Israeli flag" – the state's blue and white emblem with the Star of David at its centre.

Archbishop Raya addressed the crowd in English from the back of a truck outside Mrs. Meir's office. The demonstrators were watched by the Police Minister, Shlomo Hillel.

Archbishop Raya, choosing his words carefully, said that Israel would reap what she sowed. The best hope for all her citizens, said Archbishop Raya, was to sow justice, equality, and harmony. The archbishop, who has been in Israel four years and carries an American passport, ended his speech with the cry: "Shalom, Shalom, Shalom to Golda Meir!" Demonstrators carried banners: "Refugees in our own country," and "No security without justice."

A cabinet meeting recently decided against allowing the Maronite Christian villagers of Baram and Ikrit to return to their old homes on the grounds of security. However, both Yigal Allon (he later changed his mind) and Mrs. Meir's adviser on Arab affairs, Shmuel Toledano, were in favor of allowing the villagers to return.

But it is widely believed in Israel that Mrs. Meir's fundamental reason for refusing the villagers' demand is that it will create a precedent for other dispossessed Arabs. This was the focal point of her discussion with a group of 20 critical Israeli writers.

on the wire

Soviet Jews fast to protest tax

LONDON – Jews in many of the main Russian cities have started a fast in protest against the poll tax imposed on Jewish academics wishing to emigrate. Jews in Moscow, Leningrad, Odessa, Kharkov, Riga and Vilna were expected to take part.

Shipping resumed

HAIFA – Israel has resumed exporting to Britain with the end of the British dock strike. At present seven ships are laid up at the ports of Ashdod and Haifa. The strike caused heavy loss to Israeli businessmen.

Jail activists

LONDON – Two more activists in the Jewish exodus movement in Russia have been sentenced to three years imprisonment. They are Ilya Glezer, 35, and Grigori Berman, 26. Both had applied for exit permits for emigration to Israel.

Tighten air security

JERUSALEM – El Al is introducing new security measures after the recent explosion in the baggage hold of one of its flights from Rome to Tel Aviv. In future, passengers will not be allowed to carry on board the aircraft any articles which cannot be opened and inspected.

Organizations and People

Fund given grant

TORONTO –

The Charles E. Merrill Trust has made a grant of $25,000 to the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto to further the activities of Co-ordinated Services to the Jewish Elderly.

CSJE was established as a department of the United Jewish Welfare Fund to co-ordinate and develop activities on behalf of the non-institutionalized Jewish elderly of Toronto. The program is a pilot plan to test procedures for planning for the aged in Metro Toronto.

The Merrill Trust is a charitable foundation set up in 1956 by Charles E. Merrill, founding partner of stockbroking firm Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith.

CSJE is working mainly through the Association of Senior Clubs which com-

Knesset calls for protest

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anti-Semitic laws of the Czarist period."

Mrs. Meir implied that the levy was a sign of resurgent Stalinism, although she delicately restricted herself to mentioning the "dark days we hope had passed, never to return. The 73-year-old premier also rebuked the Russians for allegedly jamming Israel Radio broadcasts beamed to Russia, which, she said, dealt only with cultural and artistic affairs, not politics.

The World Zionist Organization executive meeting in Jerusalem decided on Tuesday that the struggle for the abolition of the head tax and the campaign to ensure Soviet Jewry's rights to free emigration "must now occupy the central position in the activities of the Zionist movement and Jewish organizations."

King reassures Jews

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call at the Royal Palace in the coming days to assure him of their loyalty.

"the royal throne has traditionally defended the country's Jews, and I personally have managed to prevent the outbreak of anti-Jewish pogroms after the Six Day War.

The King's statement, broadcast over the Moroccan radio and television network, has reassured the Jewish community's leaders and most of its Jews, it was reported. Special prayers for the King have been recited in synagogues throughout the country, and Jewish leaders are due to

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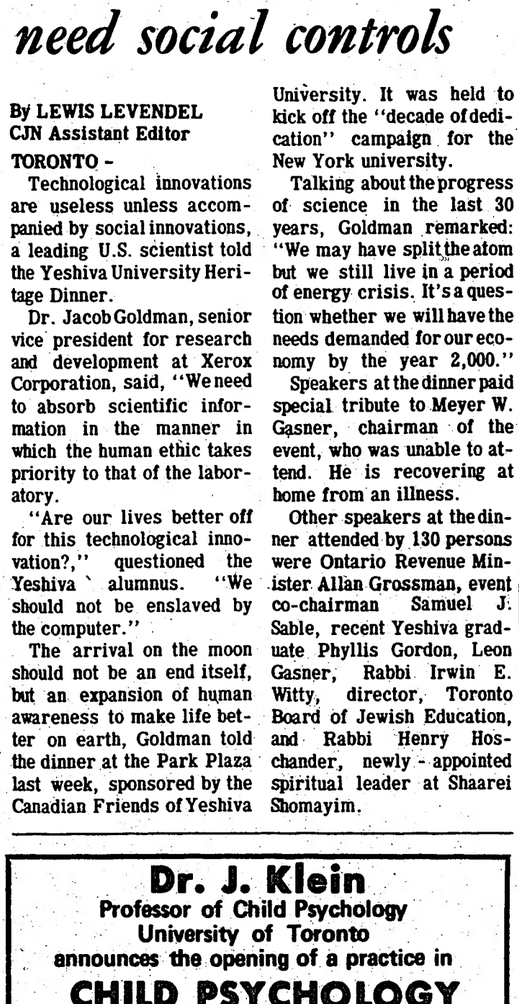

Dr. Jacob Goldman (centre), senior vice president of Xerox Corporation and his wife share a chuckle at the Yeshiva University Heritage Dinner with Samuel J. Sable, event co-chairman. (CJN Photo by Gadi Hoz)

Science breakthroughs need social controls

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
CJN Assistant Editor

TORONTO –

Technological innovations are useless unless accompanied by social innovations, a leading U.S. scientist told the Yeshiva University Heritage Dinner.

Dr. Jacob Goldman, senior vice president for research and development at Xerox Corporation, said, "We need to absorb scientific information in the manner in which the human ethic takes priority to that of the laboratory.

"Are our lives better off for this technological innovation?," questioned the Yeshiva alumnus. "We should not be enslaved by the computer."

The arrival on the moon should not be an end itself, but an expansion of human awareness to make life better on earth, Goldman told the dinner at the Park Plaza last week, sponsored by the Canadian Friends of Yeshiva University. It was held to kick off the "decade of dedication" campaign for the New York university.

Talking about the progress of science in the last 30 years, Goldman remarked: "We may have split the atom but we still live in a period of energy crisis. It's a question whether we will have the needs demanded for our economy by the year 2,000."

Speakers at the dinner paid special tribute to Meyer W. Gasner, chairman of the event, who was unable to attend. He is recovering at home from an illness.

Other speakers at the dinner attended by 130 persons were Ontario Revenue Minister Allan Grossman, event co-chairman Samuel J. Sable, recent Yeshiva graduate Phyllis Gordon, Leon Gasner, Rabbi Irwin E. Witty, director, Toronto Board of Jewish Education, and Rabbi Henry Hoschander, newly-appointed spiritual leader at Shaarei Shomayim.

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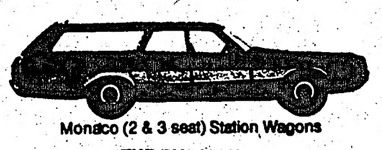
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Collecting nearly 8 million names and addresses, as you can imagine, is a big job. The Province is employing 8,000 people to visit every residence in Ontario. When the government representative knocks on your door, the procedure is simple. The enumeration notice is pre-printed by computer with the names of everyone currently on record in your household. If you agree that the information is correct and complete, you simply sign the notice. If there are changes, such as an addition to the family, corrections are made on the spot, verified and signed by you or any other adult in your household. If you are not home the notice is left, together with simple instructions. You mail it, postage free, only if there are changes.
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what's new . . .

by Miriam Herman

ATTENTION - WALKATHONERS

UJA campaign chairman Phil Granovsky reports that more than 75% of the money raised in the 1972 UJA walkathon has been turned in. It is hoped that the balance will be forthcoming within the next few days. Walkers who have not already done so are requested to collect and bring in all outstanding cash at once, before the New Year. Money should be brought to the UJA office at 150 Beverley St. As Mr. Granovsky put it - You walked in vain if your efforts don't produce cash for the campaign.

BAR-ILAN IN ITS 18TH YEAR

When Bar-Ilan University opened in Ramat Gan, Israel, in August 1955, there were 70 students enrolled. Today there are close to 6,000. Established as an institution of higher learning in the liberal arts and sciences, one of its main goals is the integration of secular knowledge and the spiritual traditions of the Jewish people. As such, Jewish students are required to attend courses in Jewish studies, irrespective of their field of specialization. Non-Jewish students are not required to do so.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Two memorial observances are taking place at Montreal's Shaar Hashomayim Cemetery on Sunday, Sept. 17, at 11 a.m. - One at the Servicemen's Monument for Shaar Hashomayim servicemen who died in World Wars I and II. The other at the Martyrs Memorial Monument in memory of the six million Jews lost in the Holocaust. Relatives, friends and members of the congregation are invited to attend. The services will be conducted by Rabbis Wilfred Shuchat and Herbert Mandl, and Rev. Herman Muller.

CHAMPAGNE FOR ORT

Toronto Women's ORT opens its season with a champagne party at the home of past president Esme Gotz on Wednesday, Sept. 2 at 1:30 p.m. About 150 women are expected to attend the meeting which will be chaired by current president Dorothy Shoichet. An added bonus is a fashion show with suggestions on what women should wear to the convention (taking place in Winnipeg, Oct. 28-31). Also on the agenda are presentations of awards to top fund raisers on the regional level and for individual chapter achievement.

YOUTH ADULT SERVICES

The High Holy Day Young Adult Services at Adath Israel Congregation will be led by Martin and Martha Edelman of New York who conducted these services two years ago. Mr. Edelman, entering his final year at the Jewish Theological Seminary, has just returned from a year of study in Jerusalem as part of his rabbinical course. The chazan is to be another rabbinical student at the seminary, Torontonian Vernon Kurtz, who will also act as discussion leader. The services are geared to the interests and special needs of young adults 18 years and over. Young adults of the Jewish community at large are welcome.

A HAPPY UNION

It's rather unusual to have peaceful relations in labor negotiations these days. But 35 years of peaceful co-existence between members of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union and the Toronto Dress and Sportswear Manufacturers Guild continues unbroken as a result of a new three-year agreement signed at a ceremony in the Westbury Hotel recently. The contract covers 2,300 employees in 12 different crafts. It provides a wage increase of 21%, with 9% effective immediately and increases of 6% due on Aug. 1 of 1973 and 1974. Provincial labor minister Fern Guindon, who was present at the signing, stated that the harmonious attitude "represents one of the most persuasive arguments in favor of the collective bargaining process."

JEWS AND POLITICS

With American politics much in the news of late, it is interesting to note that with the Jewish population of Great Britain only about one quarter the size of that of the United States, there are proportionately almost three times as many Jews in the British House of Commons as there are in the U.S. House of Representatives. There are 40 Jewish MPs in the 630-member British House while there are 12 Jewish U.S. representatives out of 435.

Sefer Torah was familiar

By RABBI MICHAEL ENGEL

SARNIA -

About 12 years ago, I was one of a small company of Cote St. Luc, Montreal Jews who founded the present Tiferes Bes David Jerusalem Synagogue. At the time we called ourselves the "Jewish Community of Eastern Cote St. Luc" and we turned to the Tiferes Jerusalem Shul in Papineau, one of the oldest congregations in Montreal, which was no longer active, and requested the loan of Sifrai Torah. Later on, an amalgamation took place which resulted in the building of the present edifice.

Recently a request was received from the Chief Rabbinate of Israel for Sifrai Torah to be used in new shuls in military camps, in kibbutzim and especially for Olim from Russia.

Eleven Montreal Shuls responded. I was in the group which accompanied the 11 Sifrai Torah and I was privileged to take part in the ceremony of presenting them in the Hechal Shlomo, the official centre of the Chief Rabbinate in Jerusalem.

As I carried a Sefer Torah under the chupah in the Hechal Shlomo, I was thrilled to find out, that it was the very same Sefer Torah, that I had carried years before from the Old Tiferes Jerusalem Shul in Papineau to the New Cote St Luc Shul. There are 40 Sifrai Torah in the present Cote St. Luc Shul, and yet it was this particular Sefer Torah, which had the mazal to be selected for Aliya to Eretz Israel.

Eighty years ago, it had been brought from Russia by the founding members of the Old Papineau Shul, who had come from Russia, and now was going to a new shul in Eretz Israel, also founded by Jews who had come from Russia.

Extradition of Barbie is urged by Congress

MONTREAL -

A government spokesman in Bolivia has stated that Klaus Altmann, naturalized Bolivian businessman who has admitted he is former SS Chief Klaus Barbie, will not be extradited to France where he was convicted for mass murder.

Canadian Jewish Congress has forwarded a telegram to the president of the Republic of Bolivia requesting extradition.

Barbie was sentenced to death in his absence by a French military court in 1949 for his responsibility in the torture and execution of Jews and French resistance workers.

The text of Congress' telegram follows: "Your Excellency Canadian Jewish Congress, representative institution of Canadian Jewry, is deeply disturbed that Klaus Altmann resident in Bolivia has confessed he is in fact the infamous Klaus Barbie convicted for monstrous crimes against humanity in France. We are confident that the Bolivian Government and people well known for their humanitarian traditions will extradite the mass murderer. May we emphasize we seek in no way to intervene in the internal affairs of Bolivia but only convey to the attention of your Excellency the deep concern of Canadian Jewish community. Please accept this expression of our highest esteem."

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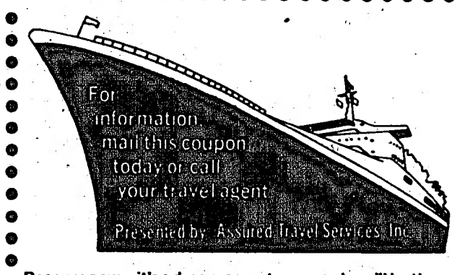

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Rabbi Robert Binder

Robert Binder, a 28-year-old native of Schenectady, N.Y., is Adath Israel's first assistant rabbi. He will be concentrating his efforts in the area of the synagogue youth and young adult level. And he brings a new and exciting approach to the field of religious education. In addition to his rabbinic qualifications - he was ordained from the Jewish Theological Seminary two months ago - and a year spent at a yeshiva in Jerusalem, he holds a B.A. degree in English literature from Columbia University, and studied drama and stage design at the Yale School of Drama. Incidentally, his wife Sharon is a recognized artist in a rather unique field. She specializes in lettering and illuminating Jewish marriage documents, invitations and art for children. The congregation will be meeting Rabbi and Mrs. Binder (the name rhymes with cinder) at a pre-Selichot reception this Saturday evening.

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Shaar Hashomayim's new musical director and his family have arrived in Montreal. **Joseph Milo**, who served with Congregation Shaare Zedek in Manhattan, takes over from **Jacob Rosemarin** upon his retirement as director of the synagogue choir. He also becomes music director of the congregation schools, succeeding **Yehuda Vineberg**. A graduate of the Israel Academy and Conservatory of Music, Mr. Milo taught piano, music theory and choir conducting for the Israeli department of culture and music.

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Edward Bronfman heads a new Montreal Combined Jewish Appeal development committee whose responsibility it will be to seek the involvement of young business and professional people who have not yet become active in the yearly fund raising effort.

Three Toronto area students were in Pennsylvania recently for the Hillel summer institute. **Sarah Grossman** and **Elizabeth Vomverg** of the University of Toronto and **Monica Levin** from York University attended the week-long retreat in Starlight, Pa. They took part in discussions and heard lectures on subjects ranging from modern interpretations of Jewish tradition to Jewish attitudes toward women's lib and social protest.

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Rabbi Ben Hollander was in Toronto last weekend to visit old friends and officate at the wedding of **Ted and Elaine Matlow**. He reports he "is back to normal activities" after recovering from a mild heart attack. He, his wife Judy and daughter Elana leave for Israel Sept. 4 for a year of study at Hebrew University.

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Mrs. Rose Matzkin of Waterbury, Conn., a past vice president, past chairman of the National Youth Aliyah division and past chairman of the National Zionist Affairs division, has been elected president of Hadassah, succeeding **Mrs. Faye L. Schenk** of New York, who served four one-year terms.

Zeidan Atshe

A Druse political scientist from Haifa is now an Israeli consul in charge of information in New York. He is **Zeidan Atshe**, 32, an assistant lecturer at Haifa University where he received his degree in political science. Mr. Atshe was also Haifa correspondent of Israel television and until recently the executive secretary of the Arab and Druse section of the youth movement in the Israeli Labor Party.

Opera Season

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Observer editor masks his bias in role of an 'abused crusader'

It was fascinating to watch a skilled propagandist play upon the emotions of those attending the annual United Church conference in Saskatoon last week.

As a result, Rev. A. C. Forrest, controversial editor of **The United Church Observer** received a standing ovation and the assurance of "100% support" from his old friend, Rev. Bruce McLeod, the church's newly elected moderator.

To achieve this effect Mr. Forrest called upon his fellow churchmen to stand up to the Jews ("The United Church of Canada may be too concerned about not offending the Jewish community in Canada") and to resist the efforts of the Jewish community to censor his efforts to bring to Canadians the truth about the Arab refugees.

In his remarks, Mr. Forrest managed to give the distinct impression that he was being stoned and reviled by a skilled and powerful Jewish establishment which sought his martyrdom.

Little wonder that the conference cheered Mr. Forrest and vowed his support.

With his boyishly handsome face, lopsided shy grin and tousled hair, the editor plays his role of abused crusader like a clerical Mr. Deeds recently come to town. One can almost see Jimmy Stewart or Gary Cooper in the part.

Sadly, the ministers and laymen attending the United Church Conference in Saskatoon missed the essential truth about Mr. Forrest – the same point missed by the media and many of his friends.

The truth is that, since 1967, he has been consistently and undeviatingly pro-Arab. He holds all justice is on the side of the Arabs and all injustice on the side of the Israelis. The reverend gentleman considers all Arab charges as truth and all Israeli claims as self-serving distortions. He deems all actions performed by Egypt, Lebanon and Syria as necessary and reasonable, while all moves by Israel are seen as tyrranical and reprehensible.

The Observer's editor can condone the bombing of Israeli school-children by Arab terrorists as the heroic action of the oppressed and simultaneously urge Christians to avoid any feelings of guilt for the past efforts of Christians to exterminate Jews.

The man whose generosity is so great that he can perceive clear signs of religious liberty in the Soviet Union, sees Israel as a religious, repressive, racist state. Mr. Forrest has expressed scant sympathy for the efforts of Russian Jews to emigrate and join their brethren in Israel.

Now, Editor Forrest has a perfect right to be pro-Arab if he wishes. He may write the most fervent pro-Arab articles his judgment demands. No matter how uncomfortable such articles might make those who are dedicated to Israel's support, no one has the right to interfere with his editorial freedom or to censor him. In fact, no one has sought to do so in spite of his claims of conspiracies by the "Zionist establishment" to destroy him. (The vast amount of publicity that he has received in the press, radio and television is apparent evidence of either the incompetence or the impotence of the dreaded Zionists.)

What the United Church membership must understand is that the cries of pain that Mr. Forrest has provoked in the Jewish community are not the result of his pro-Arab bias, but stem rather, from his pretence at objectivity and neutrality.

There is nothing unusual or reprehensible in an editor taking a fixed position on any issue. However, it is only fair that he declare his bias so that his readers can recognize his prejudice. They can then realistically evaluate the extent to which they wish to give him their trust or rely on his facts.

But in this respect Mr. Forrest does not play fair. He consistently pretends to an even-handed concern for both Israeli and Arab. For example, he claims that he recognizes Israel's right to exist but seldom, unless pressed, adds that the conditions which he and his Arab friends wish to impose would guarantee the death of the Jewish state.

He has somehow felt it necessary to claim that he has widespread support within the Jewish community; that the young, the courageous and the liberal are clearly on his side. The truth is that, aside from an occasional Stalinist relic or young Trotskyite, few in the Jewish community have much respect for him.

Mr. Forrest has skillfully shielded himself from criticism within his own church by invoking the authority of the United Nations, UNNRA and the World Council of Churches. He claims that his recommendations on the Middle East do not go beyond the resolutions of his own church or the declarations of the World Council. Close examination, however, reveals that such resolutions, already heavily weighted on the Arab side, represent the maximum anti-Israel content, Mr. Forrest has been able to win so far. Given time and additional support, Mr. Forrest will go much further.

The Canadian Jewish News would never be presumptuous enough to make any recommendations to the United Church on how to handle its affairs. If the church is content with a woefully biased official journal such as **The Observer**, that is their affair. But, they might well examine the pattern established by **The CJN.**

Recognizing that we are dedicated to Israel's survival and welfare, we have jealously guarded our sense of balance and objectivity by publishing, almost every week, articles directly from the Arab press. We have presented articles which describe events from the Arab point of view. In this way, our readers can make their own judgments based on the statements of the most competent spokesmen on both sides.

In fact, our insistence on fairness goes further. Mr. Forrest can write for us any time, on any relevant subject so long as our reply is printed in **The United Church Observer** in equal space and prominence.

In doing so, we are not playing games. Rather, we hope to compel **The Observer** editor to return to the real issues of the Middle East – the search of two peoples for justice and peace. Perhaps then, the members of the United Church will realize that without the myth of his martyrdom at the hands of the Zionists, Mr. Forrest stands revealed as a rather inexpert student of the Middle East and a highly biased, pro-Arab spokesman.

Colonel Yitzchak Hofi (foreground), the newly appointed commanding officer of the Israel Defence Forces' Northern Command, inspects a Guard of Honor. He is accompanied on his right by his predecessor at the post Colonel Mordechai Gur. (Israel Sun Photo)

Is there a Jewish vote? Answer both yes and no

Is there a "Jewish vote" in the United States?

The American Jewish Committee, Institute of Human Relations, says the answer is both "yes" and "no" and sets forth its reasons in a well-researched article which is reproduced here in part.

The question being asked in the United States as to whether Jews vote as a bloc for other Jews, comes to the fore in Canada where a federal general election is said to be only a few months distant.

The AJC article, edited because of space limitations, reads:

As the 1972 presidential campaign has gathered momentum in recent months, a number of commentators and analysts have speculated on what the "Jewish vote" in the forthcoming election is likely to be. In light of these discussions, it might be helpful to examine how American Jews have tended to vote in past elections – and why.

A realistic answer to the question, "Is there a Jewish vote?" would have to be both, "Yes" and "No": Yes, because Jews over the years have tended to exhibit unique voting patterns; no, because Jews, like other Americans, tend to disagree among themselves on political issues.

American Jews, who do not have a "powerhouse" or an officialdom even resembling that of a labor union, have neither a structure nor a tradition of obedience to some authoritative institution or leadership. Hundreds of independent Jewish organizations exist in the United States, with memberships of diverse political views, and many Jews are unaffiliated with any Jewish organization or institution. If a prominent Jewish personality, here or abroad, says something that corresponds with the mood or interest of most Jews, they will listen to him; if he says something that contradicts that mood or interest, they will not.

What then is meant by "the Jewish vote"? Sometimes it is taken to mean that Jews vote for Jews. Yet this seems to be less true than with any other ethnic groups.

The term "Jewish vote" has also been used to mean a certain kind of "unanimity." In 1968, for example, Jews gave Hubert Humphrey about 80 per cent of the votes they cast. This clear and impressive majority, while still some distance from unanimity, does indicate that the statistics of voting by Jews are in certain ways characteristic, and distinguish them from other groups. These statistics indicate that Democratic candidates generally do well with Jewish voters. (Republican candidates generally do well with Episcopalian voters, who are economically and educationally comparable to the Jews.)

The striking thing about "the Jewish vote," in this sense, is that the Democratic preference has lasted so long. In 1928, it could be explained by the large number of immigrants and workers in the Jewish community, and by the special appeal the Democratic party had for such groups. But the Jewish community today is preponderantly non-immigrant and overwhelmingly middle-class. Though there are still serious problems of Jewish poverty, especially among the aged, the average income and level of education in the Jewish community has risen substantially.

As between liberalism and conservatism then, Jews throughout the world tend to favor liberalism. In the United States, despite the ideological blurring between and within the two great parties, the Democrats outside the South are, as a general rule, perceived to be more liberal – and are therefore more appealing to most Jews.

This liberal preference would appear to conflict with the economic interests of a fairly prosperous group – and indeed, the significant minority of Jewish Republicans tends to be more prosperous, on average, than Jewish Democrats. But in the conflict between present economic status and traditional party preference, Jews have yielded less than others to present economic status. There is no hard evidence as to the reasons for this fact. But there is hard evidence that it is a fact.

Nowadays it is unfashionable to think of Jews as a minority, but historically the Jews have been the minority par excellence. Jews know that when bad times descend upon a nation, they must begin to worry. (Without the German economic crisis of the 1920s, for example, it is unlikely that Hitler would have come to power.) Thus, most American Jews have favored liberal social and economic policies because they were convinced these policies would best promote the general prosperity, harmony, and contentment – and because they knew the absence of these was bad for the Jews.

The question being asked as we approach the November elections is whether we are beginning to see a slow but decisive change in the political outlook and behavior of American Jews, tending towards a shift from the Democrats to the Republicans, or whether the current ups and downs are not much more than wiggles on a graph line, hardly affecting the long-term trend. And the answer is that it is far too soon to be able to tell.

ask the rabbi

Uncircumcised Jew is a Jew but a sinner says the rabbi

1. May Jewish boys who have not been circumcised or bar mitzvah marry in Synagogue?

RESPONSE:

The Talmud (Hullin 4b) speaks of two kinds of uncircumcised males. The first remains uncircumcised because his brothers died as a result of the operation so that it is dangerous for him to be circumcised. The second is the man whose father did not have him circumcised and who wilfully refuses to have the operation when he grows up. In the first case the man is said to be a 'good Jew' in every respect. Indeed, he is forbidden to endanger his life by undergoing the operation. In the second case the man is said to be "an apostate so far as one law of the Torah is concerned." He is a Jew but a sinner in that he refuses to carry out the command of the Torah.

While circumcision is essential, according to the established rabbinic view, for a convert, the status of one born a Jew is not affected even if he is not circumcised. Hence the Shulchan Aruch (Yoreh Dea 2, 7) rules that if a Jew performs shechita the animal is kosher, which it is not when shechita is performed by a non-Jew. It follows that failure to be circumcised is no hindrance to a marriage in synagogue, though it goes without saying that the rabbi must do his utmost to persuade the man to carry out his obligation to be circumcised.

In the case of bar mitzvah, the position is quite simple. The special bar mitzvah ceremony is comparatively late and has little standing in Jewish law. A boy at the age of 13 becomes bar mitzvah automatically. If his parents failed to arrange for him to have the bar mitzvah ceremony at the age of 13, his status as a Jew is in no way affected and there is no objection whatever to him being married in synagogue.

An uncircumcised Jew is still a Jew though a sinner until he remedies it (unless there is danger to life.) There is ho such thing as an "unbar mitzvahed" Jew since every Jew of age is automatically a bar mitzvah ("son of the commandments").

2. May one feed a baby with a meat meal followed some two hours later with baby milk and dairy pastry?

RESPONSE:

The rules about how long one should wait between meat and milk are late. The Talmud simply speaks of meat and milk not being eaten at the same meal. There are various customs. Some wait for six hours, others for only one hour. The custom in this country is generally to wait three hours. All this applies to adults. I cannot see any objection at all to giving a baby milk and dairy pastry some two hours after meat.

Shocking cynicism of Russians arouses sympathy for USSR Jews

Russia's latest harassment of Jewish intellectuals who wish to emigrate to Israel tears away the last shed of pretence that there is no persecution of Jews in the Soviet Union.

A Jewish professional person who wishes to go to Israel must now pay ransom to the Kremlin, the amount varying with the academic qualifications of the persons involved. In every case the amount of blackmail demanded by a cynical government is far beyond their ability to pay. What it does is effectively close the door to Jewish professionals, and the Russian authorities have made sure that the poll tax is sufficiently exhorbitant to accomplish this shameful objective.

The Soviet Union has shown in the past that it is not insensitive to world opinion. The easing of restrictions to allow many thousands of Jews to emigrate to Israel came about largely as a result of the free world's emphatic protests which came from Jews and non-Jews alike. This makes the latest act of oppression difficult to understand, for the Kremlin rulers must have known that holding Jewish scientists to ransom would evoke worldwide protest.

This protest is growing apace, and it must be stepped up in volume. Canadian Jewry, through Canadian Jewish Congress, synagogues and other organizations, has maintained an effective campaign to acquaint the world with the true facts about Russian Jewry's treatment at the hands of the government.

The latest act of oppression should galvanize us to renewed efforts. There are encouraging signs that this violation of human rights is bringing a worldwide reaction that will not be lost on the Russian bureaucrats. The United States government has let it be known that the blackmail of Russian Jews has placed a strain on the improved relationship between the two powers. Scientists in the free world have denounced the law and the press has been loud in its protest.

One result of the ransom law is to focus attention on the plight of Soviet Jews who have been hounded and imprisoned because they applied for exit permits. The shocking cynicism of the Russian leadership, the calculated attempt to choke off applications from educated Jews, has aroused a sympathy for these hapless people from quarters that had heretofor not shown any particular interest in their fate.

The fight to free Soviet Jewry from the shackles of a regime that does not care whether they live or die, is not the fight of world Jewry alone. It is the fight of the Christian church as well. Let the leaders of the Christian faith demonstrate as much concern for Russian Jewry as they have for the dispossessed Arabs of the Middle East

Republican convention

Drop Jerusalem transfer plank

MIAMI BEACH (JTA) –

Vice-President Spiro T. Agnew this week supported the decision of the Republican Platform Committee and convention to omit a plank which would have recommended that the Nixon administration transfer the U.S. Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, thus recognizing Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

Inclusion of such a plank, Agnew said at a press conference, would be "very counterproductive" and would "have to lead to much misunderstanding among the parties to the truce" in the Middle East. Making his first appearance before the media since his renomination, at the closing session of the convention, Agnew was asked by the JTA how he would account for the omission of the plank on Jerusalem after Republican leaders in both the House and Senate and the Young Republicans last month had advocated the Embassy transfer.

In response to a similar question from the JTA last Friday, Rep. John Rhodes of Arizona, the Platform Committee chairman, said no such amendment to the foreign policy plank was proposed to the committee at the session at which the GOP platform had been adopted.

The foreign policy plan was reliably reported to the JTA as having been the work of the State Department. Apart from the omission of the Jerusalem transfer provision, the Republican plank on the Middle East strongly supports Israel on lines similar to those in the Democratic Party's platform. But the Democratic plank incorporates a recommendation for transfer of the Embassy to Jerusalem, which would require only an order from the President to go into effect.

Spiro Agnew

Since the Soviet Union five weeks ago began reducing its military presence in Egypt, the State Department has been extremely reluctant to discuss any phase of the Middle East and particularly the removal of Soviet military personnel from Egypt. President Nixon did not, in his acceptance speech, mention the Soviet ouster. He referred to the Middle East in passing when discussing the Vietnam war. He said ending the Vietnam war "by agreeing to impose a Communist government on the people of South Vietnam would be disastrous to the cause of peace in the world" and "endanger areas like the Middle East" and "small nations who rely on the friendship and support of the U.S. would be in deadly jeopardy."

He also said that "to our friends and allies in Europe, Asia, the Mideast and Latin America, I say that America will continue its great bipartisan tradition – to stand by our friends and never to desert them." He did not name Israel or any other Mideast country in his speech. Agnew, in his reply to the JTA question, stressed that, as Vice-President, he was "the President's man" and took part in foreign policy discussions in the Nixon Administration. He argued he believed in "the business of separating sensitive foreign policy from politics."

Almost half of the states – 24 – had Jews among their delegations, New York State with 20 out of 176 delegates and alternates had the highest number. Pennsylvania with eight out of 120, was second.

Jewish delegates and alternates at the Republican Party's convention aggregated 71 or less than three per cent of the 2,696 representatives from all parts of the United States. This percentage is almost in precise proportion to the Jews – an estimated six million – in the country's total population of 210 million.

Jewish representatives at the Democratic Party's convention here in June totalled "300-plus," according to that party's national committee, of the 3,103 delegates, or about 10 per cent, with no percentage available for its 1897 alternates. In both Republican and Democratic conventions, and especially among the Democrats, some states allowed representatives half or even quarter votes. Thus, percentages on proportions must be considered in this light.

Memory of Gad Manela kept alive on kibbutz

By JACOB EGIT

In the village of Tel Yitzchak, where orange groves and wild flowers lend their beauty to the countryside, lies buried a young man whose name has become a legend and a symbol in Israel. Gadi Manela gave his life in the defence of his country. He met his death while repelling Arab terrorist invaders in the Jordan Valley in July 1968 – just one year after the victorious six-day war.

The kibbutz Tel Yitzchak is known all over Israel as a holocaust – memorial centre. It is here that Massuah (The Torch) is located; and it is here that young people will gather from every corner of the land and from abroad to study and reflect on that tragic period. Massuah is dedicated to the memory of the countless Zionist youth who died fighting in the ghettos and forests of Europe in the dark days of the Nazi occupation. While it commemorates the heroes of another generation, it is carried as a message for young Israelis today. And of that message Gad Manela, a child of Tel Yitzchak, is a supreme symbol.

Gad Manela was a young officer in the Parachute Patrol of the Israeli Army who had shown exceptional qualities as a soldier and a leader of men. He was known and loved both by his comrades on the kibbutz and in the army for his courage, his good looks, his self-discipline, his skill and thoroughness in carrying out whatever tasks he set for himself.

After the Six Day War, having ended his period of military service, he was demobilized and sent home to the kibbutz, where he was regarded as one of its most valuable members, especially because of his skill as a driver and his knowledge of agricultural machinery. But Gad could not rest while news reached him of terrorist raids, of lives being lost in the Suez and on the Jordanian border. "At a time like this, it is shameful to sit at home and grow cotton" – he confided to a friend.

He made repeated application for remobilization into active service. In March 1968 his wish was granted, and he began military duty as an operations officer in the Jordan Valley. Three days later he led a brigade of paratroopers in the daring Karma raid which destroyed concealed enemy positions; he distinguished himself for bravery under heavy fire, for which he received an Order of Merit from the Commander in Chief of the Israeli Defence Forces, Chaim Bar Lev, in June 1968.

On July 2, Gad led a group of Israeli soldiers to overtake a band of El Fatah saboteurs who had crossed the Jordan River. The mission was nearly successfully completed, when one last remaining terrorist hiding in a cave opened fire and Gad Manela was instantly killed by a bullet in his heart.

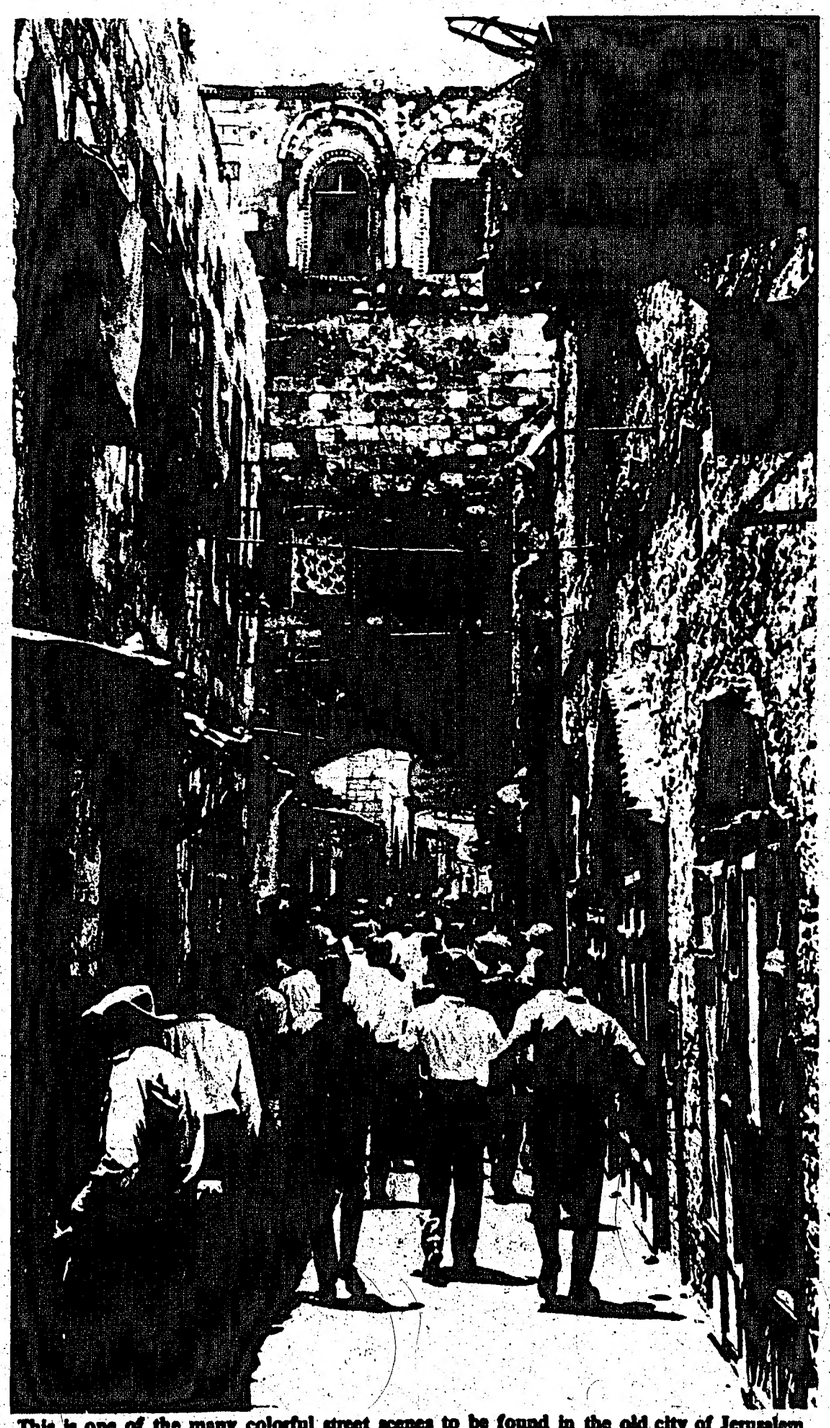
Gad Manela

The death of the young officer caused deep shock and consternation among his comrades, his superior officers, his family and friends.

To express their love, admiration and gratitude to Gad Manela, the kibbutz built a recreation hall in his name. And to complete the memorial, it now plans to erect a stone and bronze statue to the memory of Gad Manela. The monument will also be a testimonial to all the heroic young defenders of Israel who have given their lives as well as those who stand ready at any moment to fight the unrelenting enemy at all costs. It will be a symbol of the new generation of "Davids" – the young fighters who face the new Goliath in their day.

A model for the sculpture has already been designed by Nathan Rapoport, creator of the War Ghetto Memorial in Warsaw – and a sponsor has been found in Toronto. Joseph and Luba Kleinstein are donating this sculpture to the kibbutz Tel Yitzchak as a tribute to all the brave fighting youth of present-day Israel.

This will be the second major contribution to Israel located at Tel Yitzchak which originates through Histadrut in Toronto. The Massuah museum and amphitheatre are the achievements of a Toronto committee under the leadership of Alex Grossman, who recently had the good fortune to take part in the dedication ceremony. The present project, conceived in the mind of the sculptor, will now be realized in stone and bronze – and the dedication ceremony, coinciding with Israel's 25th Anniversary, will take place with the participation of a special delegation from Toronto.



This is one of the many colorful street scenes to be found in the old city of Jerusalem.

Why Israelis aim high

By J. B. SALSBERG
(Last in a series)

"And," as every public speaker is want to say, "and finally I want to say. . . ."

Yes, if I were asked, after presenting a highly compressed report of Israel, what the future holds for that country I would reply by saying that Israel is its people and I have unshakable faith in the people of Israel.

My faith rests, to speak quite frankly, not on any mystical quality of their character but rather on the psychological conditioning which our painful history has fashioned in most of us, so that it almost became a national characteristic.

A suffering people can only survive and retain its entity by clinging tenaciously to faith in a beautiful future. This faith may be rooted in religious soil or it may spring from socio-political ground. But it is faith in either case and it provides hope, inspiration, strength and dedication.

Hence our preoccupation with our visionary, messianic concepts of a future that will bring justice, righteousness, brotherly love, eternal peace to all mankind. Some of these refreshing waters spilled over our own banks and quenched the spiritual thirst of many other peoples in ages past.

Hence, also, our irresistible attraction to liberalism, radicalism, leftism, new-leftism etc. etc. etc.; all of which directed man's attention to the beckoning lights of a new era for mankind.

Well, you can't expect a people that was sustained for millennia by the faith of messianic fulfillment to accept – once in their own land – the shoddy advocacy of becoming "a state like all other states" with all the inequalities and injustices that characterize them. You can't feed a people for centuries with the morally uplifting idea that they are destined to become "a light to the nations" and then expect them to be satisfied with becoming – after achieving statehood – a grime-covered street lamp among a hundred others that line the street. They won't accept social and ethical (or unethical ?) standards of life that people everywhere are fighting to discard. It would be contrary to what has become our very nature to do that. . . .

But have the Israelis the social and moral strength and have they the leadership to reach the social and ethical shores of a promised land in their renewed state? I believe that they have both.

For every denizen of the underworld there is an army of a hundred thousand decent, productive people. For every one avaricious schemer who tosses restlessly in his bed there are thousands who, during the night, set into motion the process for a new day of creative and expanding life in the land. For every vociferous misfit there are tens of thousands who, at daybreak, man the defences; put transport into motion; enter modern plants; staff the hospitals; prepare the food for millions; go to schools and universities and go out to the land that has been made most fertile again. They are the Hershels and the Malkas of the country. They are the salt of the earth, they deserve to inherit it and I believe that they will.

My cousin Hershel and his wife Malka came to Israel about 20 years ago. He from a lumbering family in Poland and she from a family of millers, decided to settle on the land – in a Moshav.

Twenty odd years later, by sheer hard and incessant work, their enterprise has grown and became safely anchored. They gave birth and raised three exceptionally fine children, enlarged the house and increased the livestock. When I suggested that they reduce their work-burden, the parents said that this was the only way to provide for their children's education.

Less than three years ago – when the canal zone was still ablaze – all three of their children; Shmuel, Benjamin and beautiful Irith, their youngest who was named after the two grandmothers whom Hitler murdered – all three were serving in the Israeli defence force. As pre-arranged the children (on special leave) and I arrived almost at the same time. But before socializing the children changed from military to civilian clothes and all went out to help with the milking, the feeding and the bedding down of the livestock.

Now we met again. The number of animals and the flock of chickens has increased. Two of the children who completed their service are now in universities – one in Jerusalem and another in Beersheba. The eldest son, who graduated before he entered the army, is still in service and will most likely give his specialized knowledge to the army for an extra term. When the children arrived the procedure this time was the same; change of clothes and all out (including myself) to help the parents in their heavy chores at day's end and only when that was accomplished did we sit down to eat and socialize.

Given peace and it will be the Hershels, the Malkas and the like of their children that will build the New Jerusalem.

Premier Golda Meir lights up on Israeli television but anti-smoking campaign proves to be a success

By NECHEMIA MEYERS
CJN Israel Correspondent

JERUSALEM –

Prime Minister Golda Meir apparently forgot the television cameras were trained on her during the recent dedication of Israel's new satellite communications station, for she smoked cigaret after cigaret in full view of countless citizens. This was an unusual slip; Mrs. Meir has avoided lighting up in front of TV cameras since the ministry of health began its anti-smoking campaign two years ago.

While the health ministry's campaign has not persuaded the prime minister to give up the habit, it has contributed to a decline in the percentage of Israelis who smoke, the first decline ever recorded. According to statistics released this month, the number of smokers among the adult Jewish population has gone down from 40 to 36 per cent since 1970.

The figures show that more men (43%) than women (36%) smoke, and, less predictably, that there are also significant communal variations in this sphere: smoking is almost one-third more common among Jews of Afro-Asian origin than it is among Jews of European origin, while Sabras smoke least of all.

Thanks to the anti-smoking campaign, 29% of veteran smokers dropped out of the cancer club during the past two years, though most of them were replaced by recruits from among high school students and young soldiers. Another 26% of the old-timers tried to stop smoking, but gave up for a variety of reasons, ranging from consequent nervousness (37%) to consequent weight gain (3% – mostly women).

Golda forgot all about her own government's anti-smoking campaign and lit up. (Sun Photo)

Anti-smoking propaganda is disseminated via radio and TV, as well as through a breezy weekly newspaper column entitled "If you are still smoking." The column, aimed primarily at young people, frequently features testimonials from soldiers who have managed to give up cigarets despite the boredom of outpost life in a period of border quiet.

It appears that scare campaigns, emphasizing health dangers inherent in smoking, have not been overly effective. In our family, for example, TV programs on cigaret-linked lung cancer and heart disease have impressed the children – who don't smoke anyway – but not their mother, who did and still does.

The positive approach, on the other hand, has proven very persuasive. It is typified by a prize-winning poster showing a handsome, muscular young man and a beautiful, bikini-clad young woman at a ping pong table, bats in hand. "Now that you have stopped smoking," she says with a wink, "you will be able to play with me for much longer."

The best publicized achievement of the anti-smoking campaign is the virtual elimination of the habit at Kibbutz Ma'agan Michael, a flourishing seaside settlement south of Haifa. The members were organized into small Alcoholics Anonymous – type groups, in which they successfully encouraged each other to stop smoking. Similar groups are now being set up elsewhere.

Israel lags behind many other countries in regard to cigaret advertising, which is still permitted on the radio and in the press (there is no TV advertising of any sort). However, such ads will disappear if the recommendations of a government committee, submitted this week, are adopted. The committee also suggested that cigaret packages carry the same statement about health hazards that they do, for instance, in the U.S.

The ministry of finance is less enthusiastic about the anti-smoking campaign than the ministry of health, for heavily taxed tobacco products account for about 4% of total tax receipts. Finance ministry officials would be hard put to find a substitute for the some IL150m. ($35m.) they receive annually as their "cut" from cigaret sales.

'We block what we can' censor's reply to news media charge of discrimination

By ROYSTON ALLEN
From our Tel Aviv Bureau

TEL AVIV –

Most of the foreign news agencies here have direct Telex lines with their headquarters abroad and if news happens which is not immediately related to defence or another censorable subject, it is innocently transmitted out of the country before the censors can act.

In one case, a member of parliament made a particular statement before the Knesset which was almost immediately written up and sent in a radio dispatch over the telephone to London. Two hours later, every foreign correspondent received a telephone call from the censor prohibiting the publication of the speech made. Those newsmen who had missed the original happening, immediately had their attention drawn to it of course.

The average newsman based here recognizes the need for security measures and acknowledges Israel's right to impose censorship in any field the authorities deem sensitive, – "we don't want to lay anybody's head on the line," a veteran agency newsman remarked – but their main objections stem from the inability of the censors to restrict the flow of news via the intinerant journalist, thereby discriminating against the press corps stationed here.

When this point was brought to the attention of the censors, the answer came back: "We block what we can."

An interesting case supporting the press corps' complaint was when attempts were made to suppress the name of the prison where Arab terrorists are held.

Passing his dispatch dutifully through the censors' office, one newsman had the name – Sarafand military camp – deleted from his copy. He pointed out to the military that he had obtained the information from the Red Cross Bulletin which is published in Geneva and sent gratis to subscribers all over the world, including the Arab countries. This particular newsman regularly received his edition airmailed to Tel Aviv from Switzerland. The censor answered his protestations with the remark "Well, we can't ask the Red Cross to submit their material to us but we can try to prevent it appearing elsewhere."

Eventually, they allowed the name to appear, although somewhat reluctantly. Here, they realized, was a clear case of 'ting the stable door after the horse ran aw.

Groups of Jewish leaders, Israel Bond b ers and others regularly come to Israel and are given VIP tours of military bases, defence and security installations. What they see and what they are told by guest speakers is very often censorable, as many a reporter has found when he tried to dispatch material gained by interviewing the visitors.

Yet when the groups return to their home countries, the censored facts are going to be passed around as spicy tidbits and used to impress acquaintances "back home." Any Arab spy worth his salt is soon going to get hold of this information.

"Agreed," says the censor, "but we don't have to make the spy's job simpler by permitting the foreign media to publish the facts."

So the stable door is partly bolted, and another newsman gets an ulcer.

(Second of two articles)

Brief highly critical of new Quebec law

By MARK MEDICOFF
CJN Quebec Bureau Chief

MONTREAL –

A brief aimed at modifying the effects of the new health and welfare law on ethnic and religious groups on Montreal island has been forwarded to Social Affairs Minister Claude Castonguay.

The brief was prepared by the Federation of Catholic Community Services, Allied Jewish Community Services, and the Canadian Jewish Congress who collectively represent about 450,000 people in Montreal.

The new law was enacted on June 1, 1972, and all institutions have been given until July 1, 1973, to comply with the regulations.

"It is our opinion that the legislation and regulations tend to omit the role, of the groups that play such a significant part, through contributions of time, money and effort, in the creation and maintenance of services," the brief says.

"We are dismayed to note the lack of such recognition in the legislation and in the regulations."

The brief supports the new health and welfare scheme, but is highly critical of its effects on the various religious and ethnic agencies who make their home in Montreal.

"Montreal is different from the rest of the province," states the brief, "because it is composed of many religious, linguistic, and cultural groups which have created a highly developed and effective network of health and social services in order to meet the needs of their particular constituencies.

"We wish to see this recognition written into law and regulations," it adds.

Monty Berger, president of AJCS told **The Canadian Jewish News** that "the situation is one of repeated assurances from the government that the new legislation will not visibly affect our institutions.

"The government is concerned," he added, "with not obstructing the efficient running of institutions already in existence, but to improve health services where needed."

The brief also urges that hospital centres reflect the special needs of the clientele it serves, such as dietary laws, a chapel or synagogue, observance of religious rituals, and a common language of communication.

The brief said that there already exists a model of integrated services in the Jewish community which not only respects the spirit of the new law, but provides special Jewish services.

The submission also recommends methods where the Jewish General Hospital, the Jewish Convalescent Hospital, Maimonides Hospital and Home for the Aged, the Mount Sinai Hospital, the Jewish Hospital of Hope, the Jewish Nursing home, the Herzl Health Centre, and the Baron de Hirsch Institute would continue to function within their founding objectives.

Sentimental selling out of date: Perry

TORONTO –

Israeli products can no longer be sold on a sentimental basis, says Walter Perry, managing director of International Distillers of Israel Ltd.

In order to maintain and increase markets, the country must produce quality products that can compete on a world wide basis, said Perry, who was visiting Canada to promote Sabra liqueur.

"Years ago the quality wasn't very good, but people bought goods on a sentimental basis," he told **The CJN** in an interview. "But these days have long disappeared."

A native of Germany, Perry worked in the Israeli finance ministry and prime minister's office before joining International Distillers, a subsidiary of Distillers Corporation Seagrams Ltd. of Montreal, in 1965. He has a distinguished military record with the RAF during the Second World War and later the Israel defence forces.

Walter S. Perry

Since his company started producing Sabra three years ago, it has achieved export sales of over $500,000 in more than 70 countries. The liqueur has an orange alcohol base produced from Jaffa oranges and is blended with Israeli chocolate.

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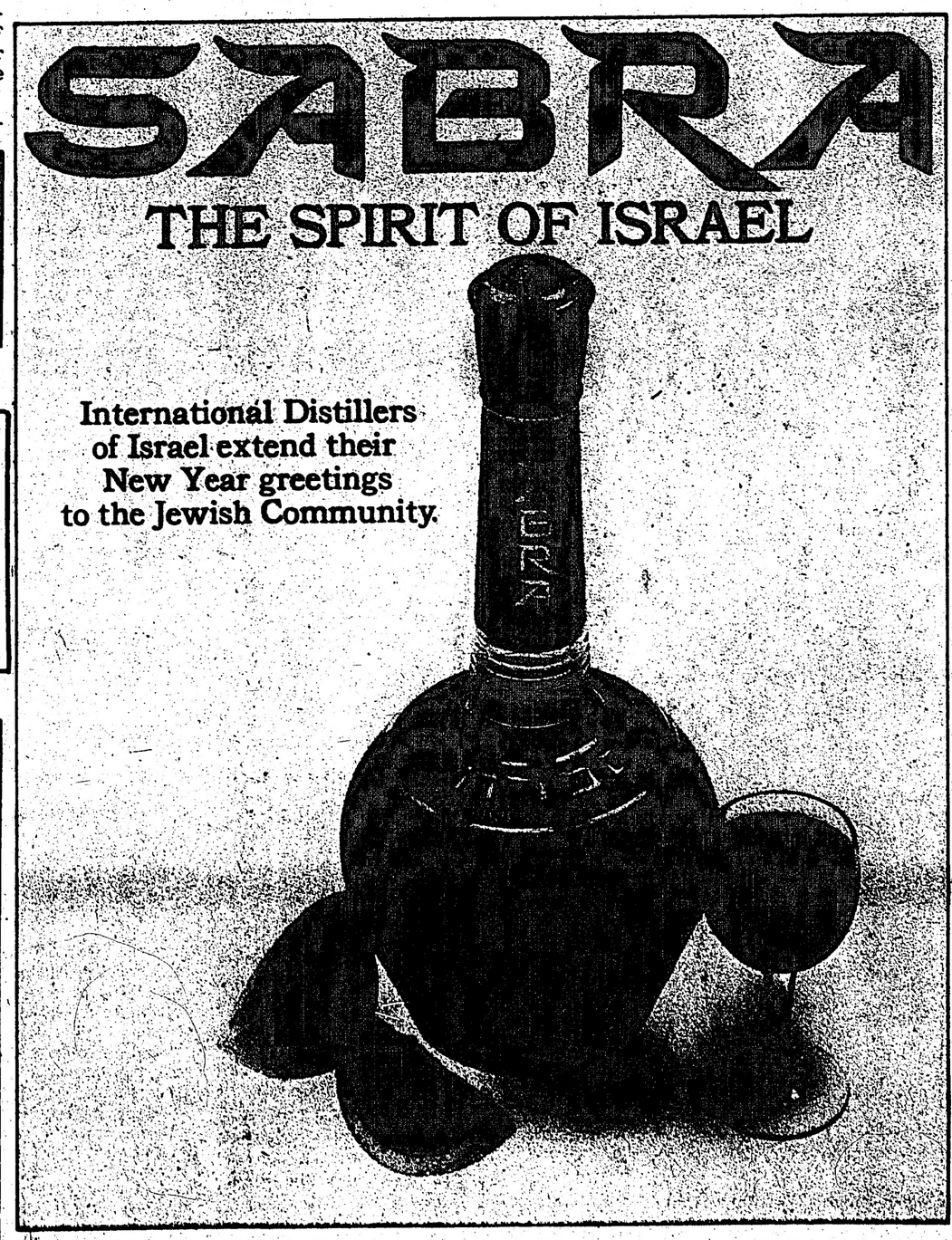

Community Bulletin Board

Shown here is a Sefer Torah on Aliyah being held by George Herczeg who personally handed it over in Israel to Rabbi Emanuel Forman as a gift from Toronto's Shaarei Shomayim Congregation to the Midrashiat Noam in Kfar Saba. Rabbi Forman, formerly spiritual leader of Shaarei Shomayim is now residing in Israel as the Principal of Midrashiat Noam. Left to Right: Myer Dorn, Saul Sigler, George Herczeg, Mark Gross, Sydney Greenstein, Alexander Goldstein.

Synagogue and Temple Sisterhoods will be playing an increasingly important role in the 1972 State of Israel Bond Campaign in Toronto, according to plans being finalized now with Women's Division Bond leaders.
Shown here are representatives of Reform Sisterhoods at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Harry J. Pachter, Israel Bond Chairman, Holy Blossom Sisterhood. Left to right: Mrs. Stan Lean, 1st Vice-Pres. Temple Sinai Sisterhood; Mrs. Martin Vine, Chairman of Community Relations, Holy Blossom Sisterhood; Mrs. Pachter; Mrs. J. Murray Weinberg, President, Holy Blossom Sisterhood; Mrs. Norman Epstein, Chairman of the Women's Division, State of Israel Bonds, Toronto.

Conservative Sisterhood leaders shown here are: Left to right (seated) Mrs. Samuel Sarick, Vice-Chairman of Sponsors, State of Israel Bonds, and Mrs. Joseph Bass, President, Ontario Branch, National Women's League, United Synagogues of America. (Standing), left to right: Mrs. Murray Marcus, Vice-Pres. Adath Israel Sisterhood; Mrs. Julius Goodbaum, President Beth Sholom Sisterhood; Mrs. Wilfred Silverberg, Vice-President Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood, and colleague Mrs. Irving Kasdan.

Leaders of Yorkdale Lodge B'nai B'rith, a pace-setter for Israel Bonds in Toronto B'nai B'rith, proudly turned over a cheque to D. Lou Harris, National President, State of Israel Bonds for Canada, for their purchase of $100,000 in the special Institutional Investment Issue of Bonds to help relieve Israel's current economic situation. Shown here, left to right, are: Wolf Justein, who will be guest of honor at the forthcoming Yorkdale Lodge Bond Award Dinner; Chaim Newberger, Israel Bond and Dinner Chairman; D. Lou Harris, Reuben Applebaum, Yorkdale Lodge President; Charles Goldlust, 1st Vice-President.

The Israel Histadrut Campaign and members of the London community, will join together at a dinner on Sunday, October 8, 1972, 6:15 p.m. at the Or Shalom Congregation to pay tribute to one of London's leading citizens, Rabbi David Kirshenbaum. The dinner will mark over four decades of dedication and service to the London community. As a tangible result of this tribute, the Histadrut in Israel, together with the London community, will build a Synagogue in Moshav-Mastul, a cooperative settlement in the Negev, Israel, which will bear Rabbi Kirshenbaum's name. The dinner will be directed by a committee under the chairmanship of Isaac Siskind. Vice-chairmen are Elliot Cohen and Ralph Waldman, Treasurer is Leo Goodman.

Teacher wins arbitration judgment

(From our Quebec Bureau)

MONTREAL –
A labor department arbitrator ended a nine-month old dispute between a teacher of the United Talmud Torah and the school administration, stating that the school board contravened the collective bargaining agreements by reducing the number of working hours of the instructor.

In his brief arbitrator Raymond Thisdale ordered the school corporation to pay teacher Hanah Rakovski's back salary from December 1 to June 30 based on the 12 and a half hours per week stipulated in her contract.

The arbitration – the first ever requested by the teachers' union – was arranged because the school administration reduced the number of weekly working hours of Miss Rakovski, a first year teacher, from 18 and a half hours per week to six hours.

Miss Rakovski was also limited to teaching the school's afternoon classes, and she was notified of the change on the 89th day of her employment.

Thisdale referred to a clause in the collective agreement where contracts of employment shall be for a one year duration and automatically renewed – unless a written notice is issued.

PM receives Judaica volume

OTTAWA –
Representatives of the Canadian Jewish community presented Prime Minister Pierre Elliott Trudeau with a deluxe 16 volume set of the newly published Encyclopedia Judaica at the Prime Minister's office here on Aug. 23.

The Prime Minister is to receive this specially prepared leather-bound edition as a gift from Israel and its publishers in Jerusalem. The others have been Pope Paul VI and President Richard Nixon earlier this year.

World scholars have described the new encyclopedia as "the greatest Jewish intellectual venture of the twentieth century." It is the most complete compendium of Jewish history and lore in the world of modern letters, produced at the cost of more than $5 million and involving 2,500 scholars in five years of prodigious labor.

Present at the ceremony in the Prime Minister's office were Allan Bronfman, national president of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University and Saul Hayes.

Hayes participated in the encyclopedia's early preparations as the organizer of Canadian editors, scholars and contributors. Consequently the Canadian section covers the full scope of sequently the Canadian section covers the full scope of Jewish life from its early beginnings to the present.

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International news

Prisoner's wife

Fees 'incomprehensible'

NEW YORK (JTA) –

Paulina Korenblit, wife of Russian Jewish prisoner Mikhail Korenblit, said last week that the new emigration fees for educated Soviet Jews were "incomprehensible sums for people like my father, an engineer, and my brother, who has two or three degrees."

A good engineer, she reported to Hadassah, earns 200 rubles ($243) monthly "at most," and "families would have to literally go without food for years to accumulate the money to buy their way out, to pay for the exit visas." She "still cannot believe that the government will really enforce these new charges," she said.

Mrs. Korenblit, 28, was in town to accept Hadassah's most prestigious honor, the Henrietta Szold Award, on behalf of her 35-year-old husband and other Soviet Jewish activists. It was presented at a banquet during Hadassah's 58th national convention. Named after Hadassah's founder, it recognizes exceptional humanitarian service.

Mrs. Korenblit, who left the USSR for Israel in April and works as a pharmacist for Haifa's Kupat Holim (Sick Fund), told Hadassah that when she last saw her husband in February, he complained of heart pains, severe headaches and lack of thorough medical attention. She said he works alternately at heavy construction and in a glove factory, but that the productivity quotas are so high he cannot reach them and is docked five rubles ($6.08) a month.

The two two-kilo (4.41 pound) food packets per year allowed a Soviet prisoner could once include instant coffee, cocoa, vitamins, prescription drugs, post cards and cigarette lighters, but now are limited to concentrated soups and dried fruits, Mrs. Korenblit reported.

"You see," she said, "the authorities change the rules so arbitrarily, without any rhyme or reason, that it keeps one off-balance."

Inspector Jaber Jaberin, an Arab policeman, has been given jurisdiction over a Jewish community in area of Nazareth. (IPPA)

$25,000 paid for Russian visas

JERUSALEM –

It was learned that six Jewish families have so far paid the exorbitant amounts demanded for exit permits. The first of the families paid 26,000 rubles, more than $25,000 for visas for parents and their four sons, the youngest, aged nine, obviously not a recipient of higher education in the Soviet Union.

According to sources in Russia, the family sold all of its property and borrowed money from relatives in the expectation that they would repay the loan through friends and family in the U.S. once they arrived in Israel.

On Aug. 17 the family was told to pay 22,000 rubles in order to leave. When the money was raised a few days later, the authorities demanded an additional 3,000 rubles for the two younger sons.

Zionism termed phase of Western capitalism

The Beirut Daily Star

By RICHARD P. STEVENS

Although Zionism has been a popular topic for writers, few have discussed the dynamics of forces which lead to the materialization of the Zionist vision and defined its role in Palestine.

Zionism and Palestine Before the Mandate: a Phase of Western Imperialism, edited by Richard Stevens, focuses on Pre-Mandate Zionist strategies that led to strengthening Zionist claims for a state in Israel.

This anthology comprises twelve selections from Zionist and non-Zionist sources, with a preface written by Ibrahim Abu-Lughod and an introductory essay by Richard Stevens. Both Abu-Lughod and Stevens provide historical background on Zionism during the conclusion of the 19th century and the first quarter of the 20th century.

The central theme in this anthology is that Zionism is a phase of Western Imperialism since it flourished in the context of imperialism; the constant efforts of Zionists in major European capitals strove to gain a portion from the dismembered "sick man of Europe".

Zionist leaders gained the legitimacy to Zionism by using the competitions between the great European powers to gain the needed political, moral and legal support.

Early in the 20th century, the Zionists realized that the establishment of the state of Israel required time and planning. To declare the state then would have been suicidal, for the Jewish population would have lost easily against the overwhelming Arab majority. The major strategies they employed were these: gaining a great power to their side, winning editors of newspapers to their side, having a foreign military support in Israel, infiltrating into the mandatory administration, and displacing the Arabs through Jewish immigration and the purchase of Arab land.

This anthology is very useful for anyone interested in the Palestine problem and Zionism. The selections are interesting in presenting British ignorance and Zionist determination that laid the foundations for Israel at the beginning of this century.

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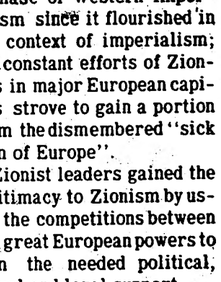

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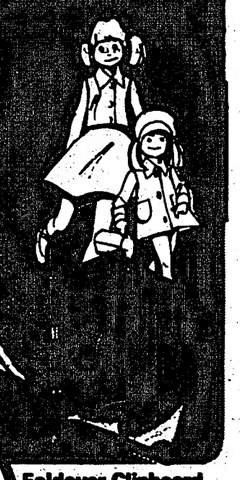

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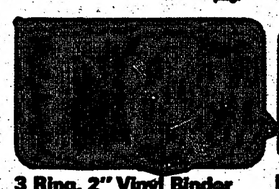

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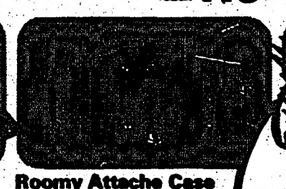

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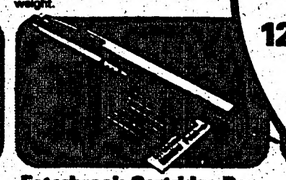

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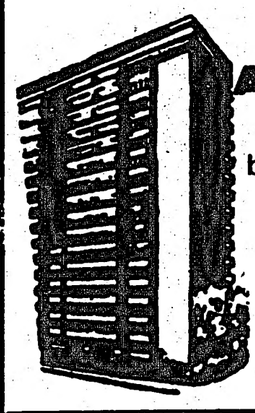

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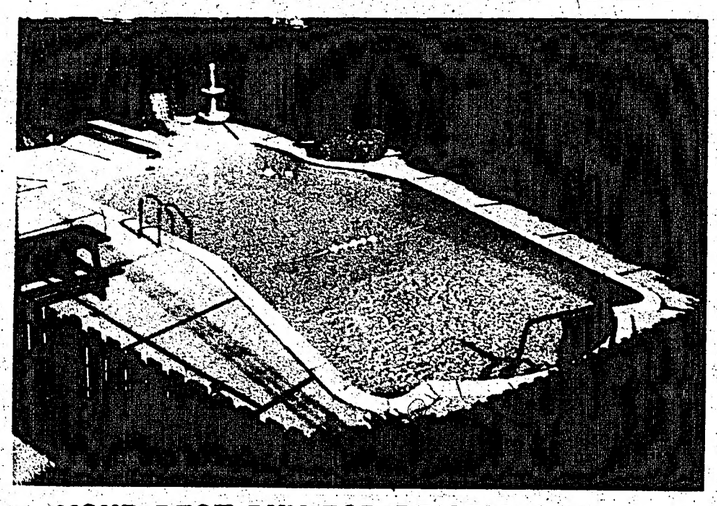

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A. M. Klein's literary achievement lives on

By BERNARD BASKIN

Bernard Baskin

A. M. Klein is dead. We are saddened as well as surprised. Was he still among the living? For more than 20 years his voice has not been heard. Tragically, he has been shut off from the sunlight, immured in some hidden castle of silence.

But his fervent admirers have never forgotten him. They know and love his work and are aware of his literary achievement.

Ludwig Lewisohn, the American critic, has written of him as "the most Jewish poet who ever used the English tongue, the only Jew who has ever contributed a new note of style, of expressions, of creative enlargement to the poetry of that tongue."

Klein drew his inspiration from the inexhaustible well of Jewish tradition. Well-versed in Bible, Talmud, Midrash, history and folklore, he possessed a source of values, a body of wisdom and experience from the living past. From his knowledge of yesterday he was able to evaluate the contemporary scene with judicious perspective. "He has been able to turn the Berditshever's cries to the Eternal concerning the fate of Israel, and the dark tragedies of the Crusades, and Chelm, the fabled town of fools and the Pesach Haggadah, and the legend of Prague, and the dances of Chassidim, and the humors and ruling passions of a Minyan, and the vision and life of Baruch Spinoza into some of the most authentic and exciting English poetry of our day."

Out of all of this came "Hath not a Jew," (1940) his first book, which consisted entirely of poems with Jewish themes. It established him as a lyrical ironist–gentle, humorous, sometimes bitter.

Zionism, for him, was the fulfillment of an ancient dream, as well as a political movement that was seeking justice for a home-hungry people. He wrote: "We were forced to suffer 18 centuries of stunned amazement before we realized that God helps those who help themselves. Far from Zion's sunny shore the poet lamented: "These northern stars are scarabs in my eyes, not any longer can I suffer them." In his younger years, he was president of Canadian Young Judaea as well as editor of "The Canadian Zionist".

"The Hitleriad" (1944) was a long, satiric attack on Nazism. Despite its wit and its unforgettable final lines it was not a success. It owed a great deal to the poet's need to verbally attack the enemies of his people. He saw himself as an instrument:

"I am the grandson of the prophets! I
Shall not seal lips against iniquity,
Let anger take me in its grasp; let hate,
Hatred of evil prompt me, and dictate!"

In **The Rocking Chair** (1948) Klein turned to the Canadian Scene. The arc of his angle of vision was now large enough to embrace the Canadian experience. His sensitivity to the culture of Quebec enabled him to depict the singularities of French-Canadian life, even as the province experienced the inevitable changes wrought by industrialization: the sustaining faith, the old values, the slow progress symbolized by the gently moving rocking chair.

Klein's only novel, **The Second Scroll** (1951) was an original, complex, many-levelled parable that could be read as story, travelogue, personal memoir, or a history-biography of the Jew as a wanderer through the ages.

Klein's writing had to be fashioned from hours snatched from a life of frenetic activity. A graduate of McGill and Montreal Universities, he was a popular lawyer; editor of **The Canadian Jewish Chronicle**; for some years a University guest-lecturer, and a frequent speaker at Jewish community meetings across the country. No stranger to recognition, he received the Governor - General's Award in 1948; in 1957, the Royal Society of Canada awarded him the Lorne Pierce Medal for distinguished service to Canadian literature.

A lover and artificer of words, a student of James Joyce, a ceaseless experimenter with form, structure and language, the creator of a small but enduring body of work, A. M. Klein will live. His unquenchable hope for a better world and future will continue to sustain us:

". . .
Man will don his godliness once more . . .
Man loyal to the human brotherhood,
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Theodore Bikel

Theo Bikel stars in Rothschilds

The Rothschilds, the story of one of the world's most famous families, musicalized by the writers of **Fiddler on the Roof**, Jerry Bock and Sheldon Harnick, will begin a three week engagement at the Royal Alexandra Theatre on Monday evening, Sept. 11.

Starring in the role of Mayer Rothschild, founder of the world's most famous banking house, is Theodore Bikel, a star in his own right on the legitimate stage, the motion picture screen, the concert stage, as well as a lecturer and a recorder of a score of albums in 21 languages.

As Mayer Rothschild, Bikel has an acting role that requires him to run the gamut from youth to old age. He is young enough to be completely convincing as a struggling young Rothschild, and a superb performer to be the father of his five grown-up sons.

This is the same production that Hillard Elkins and Lester Osterman presented on Broadway for 505 performances and coming here after 16 record-breaking weeks in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

King swings again, delights CNE crowd

music review

By RICK KARDONNE

The 1972 CNE featured a diversity of big-name entertainment, ranging in quality from Cher, who is one of the more exciting vocalists of today, to Anne Murray, whose bland voice is further accentuated by her banal songs.

I would have liked to have seen Miles Davis included in the grandstand lineup, and perhaps next year, the CNE management will consider having him or an equivalent jazz great of today. Jazz fans, however, were not entirely starved this year; they did not get anything contemporary, but they did get three nostalgia shows which were the best possible souvenirs of one of the golden ages of jazz in the past: the swing era of 1936-1945.

Who could better represent this era than Benny Goodman, Gene Krupa and Les Elgart, and there was another added treat: the shows were all free (above CNE admission).

I saw the Benny Goodman show, which was packed. Benny Goodman, who is now 64, ranks with King Oliver, Duke Ellington, Charlie Parker and Miles Davis as one of the all-time legends of jazz. Born into an Orthodox Jewish family in Chicago, Benny Goodman received a classical music education and spent his early years playing clarinet for Jewish functions as well as playing in Black jazz spots on the South Side. As a result, he developed a unique fusion of the three styles and musical traditions.

This fusion made Benny Goodman truly original. In his music, in addition to the imprint of ragtime, Dixieland and blues, one can also hear the melodic lightness and lyric fluidity of the Chassidic clarinet. In listening to Goodman, one must remember that four major imprints on jazz of today: the dissonances (originated by Charlie Parker in the late forties), the heavy Memphis funky blues progressions (originated by Isaac Hayes in the mid-sixties), the Brazilian impact (introduced by Joao Gilberto in the late fifties) and the Afro-based polyrhythms (introduced by James Brown in the late sixties) had not yet arrived on the scene, so one can call him "old-fashioned."

Yet his style, and the best of the swing era as a whole, contains a remarkable degree of creative freedom which never grows obsolete and which is sorely needed in the jazz world of today which is obsessed much more with categorizing and analyzing music than with simply creating it.

And the concert was exciting listening. The fast jam sessions retained a verve and a shake-it-all-down feeling which made many young people as well as oldsters stand up and groove to the beat. Although the brass section of the CBC backup band sounded a bit tinny at times, this minor flaw was overshadowed by the outstanding piano technique of Derek Smith (who played with the Doc Severinson band before the Carson show moved from New York to California) and a fine sax section led by the versatile Moe Koffman.

Although the swing era, which Benny Goodman initiated in 1936, has now been eclipsed, another tradition which he simultaneously was largely responsible for creating – the big band era – has enjoyed a revival for the last six or seven years.

While most of the big bands have merely applied brass sections to back up simple folk melodies, a few are trying to recapture the feeling of loose creativity and free improvisation which Benny Goodman was very much responsible for fostering.

This spirit, plus his free eclecticism of Black, Jewish, and European classical musical traditions, is what makes Benny Goodman still a vital force in today's jazz scene.

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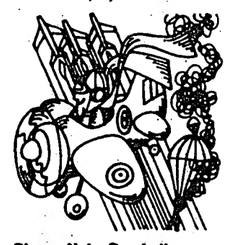

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